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REMARKS

Applicant appreciates the thorough examination of the present application in the Office Action of August 24, 2004 (hereinafter "Office Action"), and more particularly, the allowance of Claims 1-54 and 62-96 and the indication that Claims 56-61 recite patentable subject matter. In response to the objections to the specification and drawings on page 2 of the Office Action, Applicant submits replacement FIGs. 1-3 herewith. In particular, replacement FIGs. 1 and 2 have been amended to include "Prior Art" designations as required by the Office Action, and FIG. 3 has been amended to include reference numerals 310, 312, 315, and 320-322 to correspond to the explanatory text. Applicant submits that the replacement figures overcome the objections to the specification and drawings.

To expedite allowance and issue of the application, Applicant has amended Claim 56 to independent form, including recitations from Claim 55, has canceled Claim 55, and has amended Claim 58 to depend from Claim 56. Applicant submits that these amendments place Claims 56-61 in condition for allowance.

In light of the foregoing, Applicant submits that Claims 1-54 and 56-96 are now in condition for allowance, and request allowance of the claims and passing of the application to issue with all due speed. Applicant encourages the Examiner to contact the undersigned by telephone to address any remaining issues.

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